ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

TOEFL/IELTS/C1 Advanced

Official scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or C1 Advanced are required of all graduate applicants, regardless of citizenship status, whose native language is not English or who have been educated in countries where English is not the native language. Applications will not be processed until the required TOEFL, IELTS or C1 Advanced score is received. The TOEFL, IELTS and C1 Advanced scores are valid for two years from the test date and are considered official only when received directly from the testing agency.

TOEFL
The minimum TOEFL score accepted by the University is 80 (iBT) or 550 (paper-based). The institution code for the University of Denver is 4842.

IELTS
The minimum IELTS score accepted by the University is 6.5.

C1 Advanced
The minimum C1 Advanced score accepted by the University is 176.

Notes: Individual graduate programs reserve the right to set higher English language proficiency test score requirements. Graduate Teaching Assistants must meet the Required Tests for GTA Eligibility (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/admission-and-enrollment-policies/additional-standards-for-non-native-english-speakers/required-tests-for-gta-eligibility) policy.

If English Conditional Admission (ECA) (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/admission-and-enrollment-policies/additional-standards-for-non-native-english-speakers/english-conditional-admission-eca) is permitted by the academic unit, successful completion through the advanced level at the English Language Center (ELC) may satisfy the language proficiency requirement for two years from the completion date.

English Language Exemption
Students are generally exempt from the English proficiency test requirement if they have any of the following:

- Secondary/high school diploma from a school where the language of instruction is English.
- Have earned a baccalaureate degree or higher from a formally-recognized/accredited university where the institution’s sole language of instruction and examination is English.
- Last 30 semester credits (45 quarter credits) of coursework were successfully completed (cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher) from a university or college where English is the sole language of instruction and examination.
- Successful completion of the appropriate level of intensive English at the University of Denver’s English Language Center.